VATICAN RADIO BOOSTS SIGNALS FOR EAST EUROPE

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[illegible] ITS MULTILINGUAL PROGRAMS TODAY, IMPROVING RECEPTION THROUGHOUT EUROPE, PARTICULARLY THE EAST BLOC, VATICAN SOURCES SAID.

THE OFFICIAL RADIO IS PARTICULARLY KEEN ON REACHING EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, WHERE ROMAN CATHOLICISM IS OFFICIALLY DISCOURAGED, AND BROADCASTS IN MOST LANGUAGES INCLUDING ARMENIAN, LITHUANIAN, LATVIAN AND UKRAINIAN.

THE NEW SYSTEM INVOLVES DIRECTIONAL BROADCASTING, PRODUCING A STRONGER MEDIUM-WAVE SIGNAL THAN THE PREVIOUS MULTIDIRECTIONAL TRANSMISSIONS.

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DAN: 452-024150

INPUT CDSN: ENI219 BFN: TB021203

TOR: 021325Z DEC 86 TOT: 021325Z DEC 86

ROUTING= DPG

WIRE SVC= **UNASSIGNED**

COMMDIS=**UNASSIGNED**

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R 021203Z DEC 86

FM FBIS LONDON UK

TO FBIS WASHINGTON DC

ACCT FBLD-EWDK

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VATICAN CITY

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SUBJ WB

REF TB021140 BRIEFS: ITALY, VATICAN

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: VATICAN CITY SOURCELINES

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VATICAN RADIO, AS REPORTED IN REF MSG, ANNOUNCES THAT ITS PROGRAMS IN GERMAN, HUNGARIAN AND SLAVONIC LANGUAGES WILL IN FUTURE BE TRANSMITTED ONLY TO TARGET COUNTRIES. WOULD APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION AS TO WHETHER CURRENT SOURCELINE USAGE WILL REQUIRE MODIFICATION IN LIGHT OF THIS, BEARING IN MIND THE WIDER AUDIENCES FOR WHICH THESE LANGUAGES ARE RELEVANT. [redacted] STAT

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DAN: 452-025534

INPUT CDSN: ENI255 BFN: TBO21140

TOR: 021435Z DEC 86 TOT: 021439Z DEC 86

OUTPUT CDSN: DPQ556 TOT: 021437Z DEC 86

ROUTING= DPQ, TPQ

WIRE SVC= **UNASSIGNED**

COMMDIS=**UNASSIGNED**

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TO RUTLAAA/FBIS WASHINGTON DC

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RUCBSAA/USCINCLANT NORFOLK VA//J254//

RUCLAKA/CDR4THPSYOPGP FT BRAGG NC//SB//

RUEBFGA/VOA WASH DC

RUEBHAA/STORAGE CENTER FBIS WASHINGTON DC

RUEKJCS/DEFINTAGNCY WASH DC

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SUBJ.ACRUISE

Briefs: Italy, Vatican

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Vatican Radio Transmissions -- Vatican City, 1 December (DPA) -- From Monday on, it will be possible to receive Radio Vatican considerably better in German-speaking countries. As the Catholic radio station has announced, the German language program will be transmitted from a newly-erected medium wave antenna. However, in Southern Italy, Greece and Spain, it will only be possible to receive the German Language program on short wave; medium wave reception will no longer be possible. Like the German language program, programs in Spanish and Portuguese, Hungarian, Albanian and Rumanian, and in most of the Slovanic languages, will from now on be transmitted only to the target countries. The French, English and Italian programs will in future as in the past be transmitted entirely on medium wave. ((Text)) ((Hamburg DPA in German 1430 GMT 1 Dec 86 LD))

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SUBJ ACRUISE

briefs: italy, vatican

tb011700

New Serbo-croat Transmitter -- As from Monday, 1 December, Vatican Radio broadcasts in Serbo-croatian at 1800 and 0400 GMT, on 196 meters, 1530 khz, will be considerably improved by a new transmitter. (Summary)) (Vatican City International Service in Serbo-croatian 1800 GMT 29 Nov 86))

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